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MEMORANDUM FOR:	Chief, Systems Research Branch, RED/TSG
SUBJECT :	Evaluation of Stereogram Printer Optical Development Final Report

1. This seems like a good and useful idea, however -

Para. 7.a., pg 6 - Resolution of 200 1/mm @ 2X is 100 1/mm/power - tremendous!! Would appear not possible. Even if computer produced MTF curves predicted 200 1/mm, similar experience with the ASR would indicate that something like 125-150 1/mm would be more practical and likely to be achieved.

Pg 7 - It would seem that the Pechan prism is going to be a large piece of glass - over 7 inches on the diagonal. This may be difficult to make to sufficient accuracy and quality. A Pechan in this position also has influence on the resolution, in that rotation may degrade resolution in certain orientations of the prism.

Fig. B-7, pg B-12 - This design, and all the designs actually, achromatizes at F and C. Modern Optics, Brown, pg 199-200, suggests that this correction is best for visual achromatism, whereas correction at D and G is better for photographic achromatism.

Fig. B-8, pg B-14 - As a very gross estimate, it would appear that the transmission through all this glass is something less than 5%. With 2.0 density film in the object space, total transmission becomes less than 1/2%. Problem?

2. In general, their whole previous effort appears fragmented and rather inconclusive - so much so it makes you wonder on what they base their predictions. I, personally, am strongly suspicious of their ability to achieve their stated goals. In resolution, for instance, I would guess that they would achieve something closer to 60%, say, of what they consider possible.

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